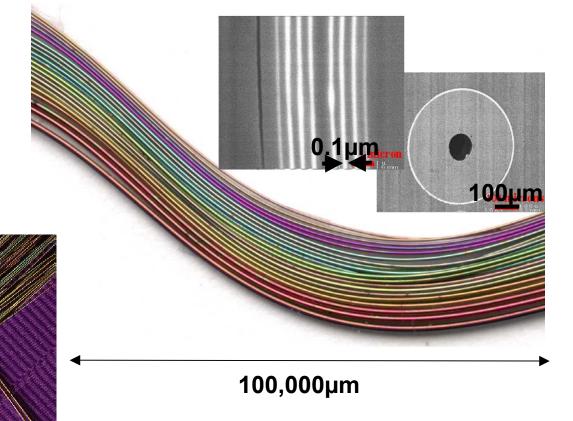


## **Optical Textiles: Cylindrical Photonic Bandgap Fibers**

- Combining semi-conducting glass and insulating polymers to form photonic bandgap textile fibers.
- Macro-scale processing technique leads to nano-scale control \*



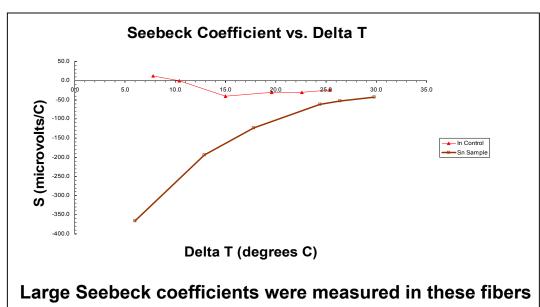
\* Length of fiber divided by layer thickness = distance between the earth and the moon divided by the thickness of your finger



## **Educational Component: Fibers with High Seebeck Coefficients**



- The thermoelectric power of the fibers is measured by applying a temperature gradient and measuring the voltage between the electrodes
- The temperature gradient is measured with an infrared camera



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Impact: This research may enable power generating textile fibers